USE OF TELEPHONE NUMBERS AS DOMAIN NAMES AND AS APPLIED IN PORTABLE ELECTRONIC DEVICES ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A communication device includes a common database shared between Internet communication and voice communication subsystems whereby a user selects a given entry in the directory and further makes selection of communication between Internet and voice communication channels. A base address designator for each directory entry corresponds to a telephone number and to a registered domain name for an entity associated with that directory entry.